



Kentucky and Nation on Way to Prosperity

The economic pendulum is swinging upward.

Business throughout the country is improving and there is every indication of permanency. Conditions in Kentucky are improving, in keeping with the industrial revival of other states.

The upward trend began in January, and February shows a very marked gain over the previous month. March gives promise of a further improvement, and it is expected spring and summer will show such a general revival that the depression of last year will be forgotten. Business is optimistic as to the future. The feeling prevails that prosperity is close at hand.

The Department of Labor has made public its industrial survey for February. The survey is based on actual figures taken from the larger industrial payrolls of the country, estimates and guesswork eliminated. The resulting figures on account of their authenticity have a real value as an index to industrial conditions.

BABY CHICKS AND EGGS

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BURLEY ASSOCIATION

PAYS HALF OF DEBT

The excellent financial condition of the Burley Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association was attested when the First-Hardin National Bank received a letter from the Security Trust Company of Lexington, authorizing the bank to draw on it for one-half the amount of the notes held against the association.

It is presumed that similar notice was sent to all the banks which subscribed to the burley loan.

This loan which was for approximately \$5,500,000, was made February 1, in order to enable the burley association to make temporary advances to the growers on their crops.

The money was borrowed for a period of ninety days. It is a highly favorable sign that half of the loan has been met in less than a month. It is stated further in a letter from the trust company that "it is the expectation of the association to pay the remainder of the notes within the next week or ten days, and officers of the association believe it will not be necessary to call on any of the banks or the War Finance Corporation for further assistance in financing the present crop."

Funds for the payment on the notes were derived from the sale of about 60,000,000 pounds of the burley pool which brought between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000. This represents about half the pooled crop. —Elizabethtown News.

MASONS INITIATE

At a regular meeting of Mt. Sterling Lodge, No. 23, F. & A. M., Friday night, March 3, the following candidates received the Master Mason's degree in the presence of a large crowd: Charles E. Duff, W. C. Hamilton, S. K. Nickell, T. Newton Duff and H. Bruce Duff.

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Two-Thirds of Burley Crop Delivered Sold

What the Burley Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association has accomplished in its brief corporate existence was given in a review by President James C. Stone. According to Mr. Stone's statement, the association has received about 85,000,000 pounds of tobacco since its warehouses were opened January 26 and has sold about 60,000,000 pounds of that tobacco at prices about three times what the advances given the growers at the time of delivery amounted to.

The association, Mr. Stone said, is using 94 receiving plants at 54 different locations. It has not only advanced about a third of the value to the growers, but has paid back half the amount of its borrowings from banks in the district and will pay the other half this week. He said the officials of the association expected later to use some of the \$10,000,000 loan offered by the War Finance Corporation.

In his address at Louisville, Mr. Stone said, in part:

"I can give you, but not in a detailed way, just what we have done in Central Kentucky. We started this organization July 20. Between July 20 and November 15 we signed 55,617 contracts which gave, based on the 1920 crop, around 85 per cent. We then organized under the laws of North Carolina, because we did not have an adequate law in this state at that time.

The first of January there was a law—The Bingham Co-operative Marketing Association Act—passed in one week's time, and we reincorporated under that law in this state. Between that time and January 25 we took over 120 warehouses out of the 130 throughout the district, which cost approximately \$6,000,000. We financed that property to the satisfaction of the owners.

"We organized our grading department and established uniform grades for burley tobacco. We made arrangements to borrow \$10,000,000 from the War Finance Corporation and in addition borrowed \$5,400,000 through the banks throughout the territory to make advances to the farmers when they began to deliver to our receiving stations.

"We began in January in fifty-four locations, and since that time we have received up until last Saturday night approximately \$5,000,000 pounds of tobacco. We have advanced the farmer what was approximately one-third of the market price and have sold approximately 60,000,000 pounds of tobacco at prices about three times the advance price.

"We are this week paying back all the money we borrowed. We will have a sufficient amount of money on hand to make advances to the remaining members of the association that are yet to deliver their crops. We expect, however, later to use some of the War Finance Corporation money, but we could get along without using it probably, but we are going to use it.

"I also want to say that the manufacturers to whom we have sold tobacco are very much pleased with the way the business has been handled, and not later than Monday I had one of the largest owners say to me that it is decidedly the most satisfactory way they have ever purchased tobacco. It has been delivered promptly; it has been packed straight on the basket.

"In fact, one told me that he had received 4,000,000 pounds from Lexington alone and not one single basket of nested tobacco was in it, and that he was convinced that was the case throughout the territory. He was confident it would be and is now the best way both for the farmer and the man who buys it, manufactures it. That is briefly what has

Local Man Weds Winchester Girl

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth DeLaney, of Winchester, and Conrad Richardson, of Mt. Sterling, was quietly solemnized at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. W. N. Briney, Sunday night at eight o'clock. The bride is the only daughter of Force DeLaney and a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Thomson, with whom she made her home. The groom is a son of F. D. Richardson and for a number of years has held a position with the Strother Motors Company of Mt. Sterling. The only attendants for the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. John Hart DeLaney, brother and sister-in-law of the bride.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Richardson are quite popular among their host of friends throughout Montgomery and Clark counties and all join in extending to them heartiest congratulations. After a short bridal trip they will be at home to their friends in Mt. Sterling.

RESIDENCE PROPERTY SOLD

The residence property of the late Dr. J. A. Shirley was sold at public auction Saturday, Mrs. Belle Rice bidding it in at \$9,300. This included taxes for the year 1922 and balance due on street assessment. There were a number of bidders, this being one of the most desirable pieces of property sold here in some time. Mrs. Rice will remodel the house and with her daughter, Mrs. Katherine Goodpastor, will make it their home. The sale was conducted by Col. Clayton Howell, graduate auctioneer, and is evidence that he is master in his profession.

FOR RENT—Three rooms with garden. Possession at once.—R. M. Haddix.

Tom—Which travels faster—heat or cold?
Joe—Why, heat, you fool; anybody can catch cold.

FOR RENT—Six acre tobacco barn with sticks.—Rich Wilson, phone 348 W-1. (41-2t)

FOR SALE

Pure bred Barred Plymouth Rock eggs.—Mrs. J. Will Barnes, Route 1, phone 444 W-2. (39-1t)

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been accomplished in the burley sections."



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Legion Minstrel Great Success

"Dixie Capers of 1922," the American Legion home-talent minstrel staged and directed by A. J. Owens, of the Century Producing Company, played to a crowded house at the Tabb Theatre Thursday night. The costumes were new and beautiful, and scenery and lighting effects were the most elaborate ever seen here. Elder's Orchestra of seven pieces furnished excellent music, playing all of the latest song hits of the season. Our own Ben Scott, handsome and dignified in faultless evening clothes, made a most imposing master of ceremonies, while Messrs. Marvin Gay, Henry Barnes, Joseph Keller and Stewart McCormick as the end men were splendid and acted their parts as if they had been professionals. Their jokes were new and they kept the audience in a roar all during the evening. "John McNamara and Everett Igo, 'The Joyful Steppers,' put on an act that was full of pep and well received.

The songs of Neale Cox, G. B. Senff, R. W. Payne, Phil Hollearn, Stewart McCormick, Willard McGuire and Joseph Keller received most generous applause, each number being encored again and again.

Messrs. Peyton and Darwin Ray and Earl King Senff, the youngest of the black faced comedians, composed a jazzy trio, making the hit of the evening. Clarence William and Walter Stewart in their act, "Speed," added much to the merriest of the occasion with their ridiculous dialogue and makeups.

Others taking part in the performance were Messrs. Conrad Richardson, Ray Smith, Leonard Payne, Byron Wood, Stanley Kerns, Tom Jones, Arch Prewitt, Harry Crooks and Sid Calk, all of whom had prominent places on the program and acquitted themselves most creditably.

The closing feature of the evening's performance was a strikingly beautiful tableau with Miss Nell Pangburn as "Liberty," Tom Jones, sailor, Stanley Kerns, soldier, and Sid Calk as the disabled war veteran.

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Hotel Drive Leaders Meet To Organize

Fine progress is being made in the hotel campaign.

At the request of the campaign executive committee, John A. Judy, prominent attorney of Mt. Sterling, and well known throughout Montgomery county and Eastern Kentucky, was appointed to head the Citizens' Committee, which will be organized to conduct a thorough canvass of Mt. Sterling and Montgomery county for the sale of stock for the new hotel. Mr. Judy in turn has selected a staff of three of the community's most active citizens as follows: R. G. Kern, O. W. McCormick and Lee Orer. These three men forming Mr. Judy's staff will be entrusted with the task of selecting three men each, a total of nine. These men also will be real leaders, and thoroughly representative of the class of citizens who are always found boosting for any project that is for the good of the community. Through the efforts of these leaders a big sales organization of Mt. Sterling and Montgomery county citizens will be built up to put the hotel drive over successfully. The Citizens' Committee will be carefully selected by the nine captains who are chosen for the task, and will represent ninety of this community's best salesmen.

This large Citizens' Committee of ninety-four men will co-operate with the Executive Committee of eighteen men, which has already been completed. Together the two committees will form a sales organization of one hundred and eleven of Mt. Sterling and Montgomery county citizens. This organization will be thoroughly coached in all the facts relating to this community hotel project, and in the plans that will be used to put it through successfully.

It is safe to say that this community has never yet seen as representative and well equipped organization to put over a community project as this organization will be. Regarding this movement there are two points that stand out as being practically assured: First, that a new hotel is an imperative need for this community. Second, that when a group of leaders, such as have gotten back of the present movement to secure a new hotel set their minds to do a thing, there can be no doubt of its complete success.

In a recent interview, Mr. Judy further said that he has three main reasons for taking this position. First of all, because he believes that Mt. Sterling must build a new hotel or take a backward step as a community of the state of Kentucky. Second, he is for it because he is tired of apologizing for the community's utter lack of hotel facilities to guests of his who visit him for business as well as for social reasons. As things now stand, Mr. Judy says, he is compelled for sheer shame, to entertain in his own home men who visit him here for business reasons.

Third, he is for the project because he believes that it will pay a reasonable direct financial dividend to the investor; also that it will pay very large community dividends in the form of additional sums of money that will be spent here by people who are induced to come to this community, and in many instances to remain over here for several days because we will have good hotel facilities to offer them. Real estate values are always increased in any community that is enterprising enough to provide itself with a good hotel building.

FOR RENT

90 acres good grass land.—Stanley Thomas. (39-1t)

Boys' shoes at reduced prices.—The Walsh Co., Inc.

School Bonds Carried Easily

The election held Saturday to determine whether Mt. Sterling should issue \$30,000 worth of bonds, the money to be used in building an addition to the present city school buildings, carried by a vote of 529 to 99. Owing to the extremely bad weather, only a light vote was polled and the advocates of the bond issue are confident the majority in favor of issuing the bonds would have been much larger had it been a fair day. The vote is very gratifying to the school board and all interested in education. The new addition will be completed in time for the fall term.

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TAKEN TO LEXINGTON

J. Will Clay, who has been very ill at his home here for the past two months, was taken to Lexington last Friday for special treatment at the St. Joseph Hospital. Mrs. Clay and W. C. and Matt Clay are constantly in attendance at his bedside. Mr. Clay's condition is about the same.

Warner-Dillon Wedding Saturday

While not wholly unexpected, the marriage of Smith Warner and Miss Bessie Dillon Saturday night came at that time as quite a surprise to their host of friends. The ceremony was performed at 7:45 at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. Clyde Darsie, with a few intimate friends present.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dillon, of Jamsen street, and is a lovely young lady and is very popular with a wide circle of admiring friends. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Warner, of West Locust street, and is an ex-service man who saw action in most of the major engagements of the American artillery in France during the world war. He enjoys a great popularity not only among his "buddies" here of the American Legion, but is quite popular with all his acquaintances. He holds a position with the Burley Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Marketing Association in this city and is a very industrious and capable young man. Mr. and Mrs. Warner are at present making their home with the groom's parents.

FOR RENT—Farm of 14 acres, close to city, all improvements, 4-bent tobacco barn, about 4 acres for tobacco. Phone 842.—E. B. Taul.

NEWMAYER IS SELECTED CHAIRMAN IN DRIVE

With Colonel Fred Levy, Louisville, state chairman presiding, and with other state officers and prominent workers from various sections of the blue grass present, a meeting was held at the Lafayette hotel in Lexington Sunday afternoon for the purpose of perfecting plans for the proposed drive to raise \$150,000, Kentucky's quota of a nation-wide fund for the relief of Jewish European war sufferers. The drive is scheduled to open the last of this month.

Col. S. M. Newmeyer, who so successfully headed the last drive for funds for the Jewish Relief, has again been selected as chairman for Montgomery county, and with Col. Newmeyer in charge it goes without saying that Montgomery's quota will be subscribed.

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